

## **DISCUSSION**

The drawings are objected to because Figs. 1-3 are not designated as "Prior Art" but illustrate only that which is old.

Applicant amends the drawings as described above and requests reconsideration.

Formal drawings for Figs. 1-3 that incorporate these proposed changes are being sent in a separate communication.

Respectfully submitted,

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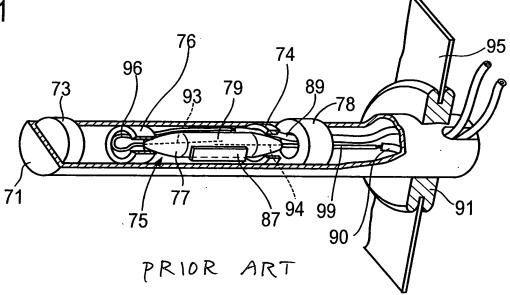


FIG.2

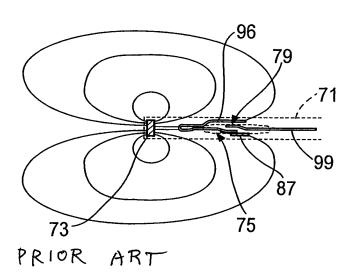
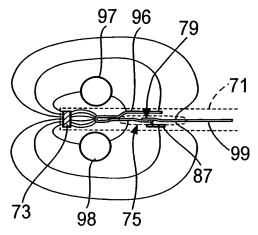


FIG.3



PRIOR ART